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The situation in the Middle East

Other matters

General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

10 a.m. . . . . 33rd plenary meeting. . . . . General Assembly Hall

3 p.m. . . . . 34th plenary meeting. . . . . General Assembly Hall

New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support: reports of the Secretary-General (A/59/206 and A/59/285) [38 (a) and (b)]; 2001-2010: Decade to Roll Back Malaria in Developing Countries, Particularly in Africa: note by the Secretary-General (A/59/261) [46]: joint debate

Security Council

The Security Council will hold an open debate on Tuesday, 19 October 2004, in the Security Council Chamber, in connection with the agenda item "Threats to international peace and security caused by terrorist acts". Member States wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers should contact the Secretariat (room S-3520; or tel. 1 (212) 963-5263), as from Thursday, 14 October 2004, from 9.30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

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Main Committees

First Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . . **10th meeting** . . . . . Conference Room 4

Thematic discussion on item subjects as well as introduction and consideration of all draft resolutions submitted under agenda items 57 to 72: *item 57* (A/59/192 and A/C.1/59/L.8); *item 58* (A/C.1/59/L.55); *item 59* (A/C.1/59/L.33); *item 60* (A/59/116, A/59/116/Add.1 and A/C.1/59/L.2); *item 61* (A/C.1/59/L.32); *item 62* (A/59/165 (Part I), A/59/165 (Part I)/Corr.1 and A/C.1/59/L.8); *item 63* (A/C.1/59/L.44); *item 64* (A/C.1/59/L.36); *item 65* (A/59/117, A/59/117/Add.1, A/59/118, A/59/119, A/59/127, A/59/127/Add.1, A/59/127/Corr.1, A/59/128, A/59/128/Add.1, A/59/129, A/59/132, A/59/132/Add.1, A/59/132/Add.2, A/59/132/Add.2/Corr.1, A/59/132/Add.3, A/59/132/Add.4, A/59/136, A/59/137, A/59/137/Add.1, A/59/156, A/59/156/Add.1, A/59/178, A/59/178/Add.1, A/59/179, A/59/181, A/59/193, A/59/278, A/59/278/Corr.1, A/59/364, A/C.1/59/L.1, A/C.1/59/L.5, A/C.1/59/L.6, A/C.1/59/L.7, A/C.1/59/L.10, A/C.1/59/L.11, A/C.1/59/L.12, A/C.1/59/L.13, A/C.1/59/L.14, A/C.1/59/L.15, A/C.1/59/L.16, A/C.1/59/L.19, A/C.1/59/L.21, A/C.1/59/L.23, A/C.1/59/L.26, A/C.1/59/L.28, A/C.1/59/L.30, A/C.1/59/L.31, A/C.1/59/L.34, A/C.1/59/L.38, A/C.1/59/L.39, A/C.1/59/L.40, A/C.1/59/L.41, A/C.1/59/L.43, A/C.1/59/L.45, A/C.1/59/L.46, A/C.1/59/L.47, A/C.1/59/L.48, A/C.1/59/L.49, A/C.1/59/L.50, A/C.1/59/L.52 and A/C.1/59/L.53); *item 66* (A/59/157, A/59/169, A/59/171, A/59/177, A/59/182, A/59/209, A/59/364, A/C.1/59/L.3, A/C.1/59/L.4/Rev.1, A/C.1/59/L.9, A/C.1/59/L.18, A/C.1/59/L.20, A/C.1/59/L.24, A/C.1/59/L.29 and A/C.1/59/L.51); *item 67* (A/59/27 (Suppl. 27), A/59/42 (Suppl. 42), A/59/168, A/59/361, A/C.1/59/L.27 and A/C.1/59/L.42); *item 68* (A/59/165 (Part II) and A/C.1/59/L.37); *item 69* (A/C.1/59/L.54); *item 70* (A/59/130, A/59/130/Add.1 and A/C.1/59/L.35); *item 71* (A/C.1/59/L.25); and *item 72* (A/C.1/59/L.17)

Other documents (A/C.1/59/1, A/C.1/59/2, A/C.1/59/3, A/C.1/59/4 and A/C.1/59/INF.1)

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

3–6 p.m. . . . . . **12th meeting** . . . . . Conference Room 3

1. **International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space** . . . . . **[74]**

   General debate

   Action on draft resolution A/C.4/59/L.7 and the draft resolution in Annex II of document A/59/20

2. **Effects of atomic radiation (A/59/46)** . . . . . **[73]**

   General debate

   Action on draft resolution A/C.4/59/L.8

3. **Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples** . . . . . **[20]**

   (i) **Question of Western Sahara**

   Action on draft resolution A/C.4/59/L.4

   (ii) **Question of New Caledonia**

   Action on draft resolution IV (A/59/23, chap. XII)

(iii) Increase in the membership of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples

Action on draft decision A/C.4/59/L.2/Rev.1

Second Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 16th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2

Sustainable development (A/59/25, Suppl. No. 25, A/59/262, A/59/81-E/2004/63, A/59/115 and A/59/158) . . . . . [85]

(a) Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development (A/59/220 and A/59/167)

(b) Further implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States (A/59/173)

(c) International Strategy for Disaster Reduction (A/59/228)

(d) Protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind (A/58/197)

(e) Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa (A/58/197)

(f) Convention on Biological Diversity (A/58/197)

(g) United Nations Decade of Education for Sustainable Development

Introduction and general discussion

Third Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 16th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

Promotion and protection of the rights of children (A/59/41, A/59/41/Corr.1, A/59/184-S/2004/602, A/59/190, A/59/274 and A/59/331) . . . . . [101]

Introductory statements, "question time" and dialogue with senior officials

Introductory statement by, and dialogue with the Independent Expert directing the Secretary-General's in-depth study on violence against children

General discussion

3–6 p.m. . . . . 17th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

Promotion and protection of the rights of children (A/59/41, A/59/41/Corr.1, A/59/184-S/2004/602, A/59/190, A/59/274 and A/59/331) . . . . . [101]

Continuation of general discussion

Fifth Committee

10 a.m. . . . . . 10th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3

1. Organization of work (A/C.5/59/L.1/Rev.1)

2. Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors (A/59/5 (Vol. I), A/59/5 (Vol. III), A/59/5 (Vol. IV), A/59/5/Add.1, A/59/5/Add.2, A/59/5/Add.3, A/59/5/Add.4, A/59/5/Add.5, A/59/5/Add.6, A/59/5/Add.7, A/59/5/Add.8, A/59/5/Add.9, A/59/5/Add.10, A/59/5/Add.11, A/59/5/Add.12, A/59/A/59/161, A/59/162, A/59/318, A/59/318/Add.1 and A/59/400) . . . . . [106]

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3. Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (A/59/11 and A/59/67) . . . . . [113]

Introduction and general discussion

Morning[1]**–1 p.m.** . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5

3–6 p.m. . . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda items 129 (Financing of the United Nations Mission of Support in East Timor (A/59/290 and A/59/384)); 155 (Financing of the United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti (A/59/288 and A/59/390)); 153 (Financing of the United Nations Operation in Burundi (A/59/300 and A/59/412)); and 154 (Financing of the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire (A/59/289, A/59/419 and A/59/419/Corr.1))

[1] Following the adjournment of the 10th meeting of the Committee.

Sixth Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . . 7th meeting . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

Measures to eliminate international terrorism (A/59/37, A/59/210, A/59/210/Corr.1, A/C.6/59/L.10, A/59/83-S/2004/387, A/59/124-S/2004/532, A/59/337-S/2004/721, A/59/368-S/2004/747, A/59/380-S/2004/757, A/59/383-S/2004/758 and A/59/371) [148][1]

[1] The list of speakers for item 148 will be closed on *Monday, 18 October 2004*, at 12 noon.

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

3–6 p.m. . . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

A strengthened and unified security management system for the United Nations

General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

Informal consultations on agenda item 49 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 49 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea) will be held on *Monday, 18 October 2004*, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Second Committee *Informal "informals"*

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. José Briz Gutiérrez (Guatemala), on the draft resolution on agenda item 83 (c) (External debt crisis and development), will be held on *Monday, 18 October 2004*, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Félix Mbayu (Cameroon), on agenda item 84 (Follow-up to and implementation of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development), will be held on *Monday, 18 October 2004*, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room D.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Ms. Eva Tomic (Slovenia), on agenda item 85 (g) (United Nations Decade of Education for Sustainable Development), will be held on *Monday, 18 October 2004*, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Other meetings

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Monday, 18 October 2004

2004 United Nations Programme of Fellowships on Disarmament

9 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room E

2–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room E

Group of 77 *(core group on globalization and interdependence: international migration and development)*

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room D

Group of 77 *(draft resolution on sustainable development: implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development)*

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7

Group of 77 *(draft resolution on UNEP/Habitat)*

1–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

Group of 77 *(core group on sustainable development: natural disasters and vulnerability)*

1.45–3 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room C

Group of 77 *(Third Committee matters)*

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

Group of 77 *(core group on macroeconomic policy questions: international trade and development)*

3–5 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room C

Group of 77 *(core group on sustainable development: Protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind)*

5–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room C

Southern African Development Community (SADC) *(at the ambassadorial level)*

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 6

Group of Landlocked Developing Countries *(at the ambassadorial level)*

10.15 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 8

OIC Group *(Sixth Committee matters) (at the expert level)*

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7

Round table discussion on "Promoting the domestic private sector in Africa" (organized by the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (OSAA))

There will be a round table discussion on "Promoting the domestic private sector in Africa", organized by the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (OSAA), on *Monday, 18 October 2004*, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 5. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff and representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Ejeviome Otobo, Chief, Policy Analysis and Monitoring Unit, OSAA (tel. 1 (212) 963-5006; fax 1 (212) 963-3892; e-mail otobo1@un.org).

Briefing and dialogue on the report of the quadripartite group on innovative financing mechanisms (organized by the Permanent Missions of Brazil, France, Chile and Spain)

A briefing and dialogue, organized by the Permanent Missions of Brazil, France, Chile and Spain, with the senior officials and experts who participated in the quadripartite group and prepared the report entitled "Action against Hunger and Poverty", first presented at the Summit of World Leaders held in New York on 20 September 2004, will take place on *Monday, 18 October 2004*, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 2. The event is organized on the occasion of the consideration by the Second Committee of the follow-up and implementation of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Gilles Barrier (tel. 1 (212) 702-4937) or Mr. Jean-Rémi Campion (1 (212) 702-4946), at the Permanent Mission of France.

Informal consultations on the Fourth Committee draft resolution entitled "Assistance in mine action" (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Netherlands, in its capacity of the presidency of the European Union)

There will be informal consultations on the Fourth Committee draft resolution entitled "Assistance in mine action" (under agenda item 22), organized by the Permanent Mission of the Netherlands, in its capacity of the presidency of the European Union, on *Monday, 18 October 2004*, from 3 to 4.45 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. For an electronic copy of the text or any further questions, please contact Mr. Dirk-Jan Nieuwenhuis (e-mail dj.nieuwenhuis@minbuza.nl).

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm.

Monday, 18 October 2004

Room S-226

11.30 a.m. . . . . Mr. Adigun Ade Abioudun, Chairman of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space (on the work that the United Nations and the outer space community are carrying out to turn the usefulness of space technologies into operational capabilities)

Guest at 12 noon . . . . Mr. Ibrahim Gambari, Under-Secretary-General and the Secretary-General's Adviser on Africa (on progress towards peace and development in Africa)

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

Main Committees

Second Committee *Informal "informals"*

The Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. José Briz Gutiérrez (Guatemala), on the draft resolution on agenda item 83 (c) (External debt crisis and development) will continue as follows: Tuesday, 19 October 2004, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C; and Friday, 22 October, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Panel discussion

There will be a panel discussion on "Welfare-enhancing policies for growth, employment and trade", organized by the Financing for Development Office, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, on Tuesday, 19 October 2004, from 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in Conference Room 2. The meeting will be chaired by Mr. Marco Balarezo (Peru), Chairman of the Second Committee. The panellists will include: Mr. José Antonio Ocampo, Under-Secretary-General, Department of Economic and Social Affairs; Mr. Deepak Nayyar, Vice-Chancellor, University of Delhi; Mr. Ha-Joon Chang, Professor, University of Cambridge; and Mr. Martin Khor, Director, Third World Network.

Members of Permanent Missions, agencies and organizations of the United Nations system, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information please contact the Financing for Development Office, DESA (tel. 1 (212) 963-3664).

List of speakers

The list of speakers for all items allocated to the Second Committee, is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to contact the secretariat of the Committee (Ms. Maria Theresa Olvida (tel. 1 (212) 963-8429; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; e-mail olvida@un.org)). Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be submitted to Mr. Nikhil Seth, Secretary of the Second Committee (room S-2950C; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

Third Committee

Informal consultation

The Vice-Chairperson of the Third Committee, Ms. Astanah Banu Shri Abdul Aziz (Malaysia), will convene an informal consultation to negotiate the Chairman's text relating to the issue of revitalization of the work of the Committee, on Tuesday, 19 October 2004, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 8.

List of speakers

The list of speakers for the general discussion on all items allocated to the Third Committee is open (A/C.3/59/L.1/Rev.1). Delegations wishing to be inscribed are kindly requested to contact the Third Committee secretariat (Ms. Vivian Bonano (tel. 1 (212) 963-5973; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Delegations are also requested to submit the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers to the Secretary of the Third Committee, Mr. Moncef Khane (room S-2950; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold its 11th meeting on Tuesday, 19 October 2004, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3. Informal consultations (closed) will be held following the adjournment of the 11th meeting and at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

Sixth Committee

List of speakers

The list of speakers for all remaining items allocated to the Sixth Committee is open (A/C.6/59/L.1). Delegations wishing to be inscribed are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Sixth Committee (Ms. Nena Villena-Tanedo (tel. 1 (212) 963-5375; fax 1 (212) 963-1963; e-mail villena-tanedo@un.org)).

General Assembly

Open-ended Working Group to Negotiate an International Instrument to Enable States to Identify and Trace, in a Timely and Reliable Manner, Illicit Small Arms and Light Weapons

Informal consultations

The Open-ended Working Group to Negotiate an International Instrument to Enable States to Identify and Trace, in a Timely and Reliable Manner, Illicit Small Arms and Light Weapons will hold informal consultations on Wednesday, 20 October 2004, in Conference Room 4, following the adjournment of the morning meeting of the First Committee.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and of the United Nations Population Fund

The Executive Board of the United Nations Programme and of the United Nations Population Fund will hold informal consultations from 10.30 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 7, on Friday, 29 October 2004 (on the third global cooperation framework (2005-2007)); and on Monday, 1 November (on the implications of the simplification and harmonization of execution modalities). Interested delegations are invited to attend.

Other forthcoming meetings

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Mason Group *(First Committee)*

There will be a meeting of the Mason Group *(First Committee)* on Tuesday, 19 October 2004, from 9 to 9.45 a.m. in Conference Room 6.

Group of 77 *(core group on sustainable development: implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa)*

There will be a closed meeting of the Group of 77 *(core group on Sustainable development: implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa)* on Tuesday, 19 October 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room B.

Group of 77 ***(draft resolution on the social dimension of globalization)***

There will be a closed meeting of the Group of 77 ***(draft resolution on the social dimension of globalization)*** on Tuesday, 19 October 2004, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

Informal consultations of co-sponsors on a Third Committee draft resolution on missing persons (organized by the Permanent Mission of Azerbaijan)

Informal consultations of co-sponsors on a Third Committee draft resolution on missing persons, organized by the Permanent Mission of Azerbaijan, will be held on Tuesday 19 October 2004 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

Informal consultations on a Third Committee draft decision entitled "Outcome of the ten-year review of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly" (organized by the Permanent Mission of South Africa)

There will be informal consultations on a Third Committee draft decision entitled "Outcome of the ten-year review of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly", organized by the Permanent Mission of South Africa, on Tuesday 19 October 2004 from 10 to 11.20 a.m. in Conference Room C.

Panel discussion on "Assessing the role of civil society in the prevention of armed conflict in Africa" (co-organized by the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (OSAA) and the Global Partnership for the Prevention of Armed Conflict)

There will be a panel discussion on "Assessing the role of civil society in the prevention of armed conflict in Africa", co-organized by the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (OSAA) and the Global Partnership for the Prevention of Armed Conflict, on Tuesday, 19 October 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 1. Members of the Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff and representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact, Ms. Ruth Bamela Engo (tel. 1 (212) 963-4780; e-mail engo@un.org) or Ms. Mieko Ikegame (tel. 1 (212) 963-1937; e-mail ikegame@un.org).

Briefing on the work of the Commission for Africa and the New Agenda for Africa's Development (NEPAD) (organized by the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (OSAA))

There will be a briefing to give an update on the work of the Commission for Africa, which is chaired by the British Prime Minister, and on New Agenda for Africa's Development (NEPAD), organized by the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (OSAA), on Tuesday, 19 October 2004, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 2. Members of the Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff and representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations are invited to attend. For further information, please contact, Ms. Mieko Ikegame (tel. 1 (212) 963-1937; e-mail ikegame@un.org).

Open-ended informational meeting on the new protocol to the CCW Convention on explosive remnants of war (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Netherlands)

There will be an open-ended informational meeting on the new protocol to the CCW Convention on explosive remnants of war, organized by the Permanent Mission of the Netherlands, on Tuesday, 19 October 2004, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 4. Members of the Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff and representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Tammy Hall, Mine Action Service, Department of Peacekeeping Operations (tel. 1 (212) 963-0062).

Panel discussion on "Maternal mortality: Effective strategies for increasing maternal and newborn survival" (organized by the United States Mission)

A panel discussion on "Maternal mortality: Effective strategies for increasing maternal and newborn survival", organized by the United States Mission, will be held on Tuesday, 19 October 2004, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 1. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

Information session on the newly released "Draft International Implementation Scheme for the United Nations Decade of Education for Sustainable Development, 2005-2014" (organized by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), in cooperation with the Permanent Mission of Japan)

There will be an information session on the newly released "Draft International Implementation Scheme for the United Nations Decade of Education for Sustainable Development, 2005-2014", organized by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), in cooperation with the Permanent Mission of Japan, on Tuesday, 19 October 2004, from 1.30 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 6. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Eliot Minchenberg, UNESCO Office in New York (tel. 1 (212) 963-3790; or e-mail e.minchenberg@unesco.org).

Briefing for the Eastern European Group

There will be a briefing for the Eastern European Group, by the President-designate of the 2005 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons, H.E. Mr. Sergio de Queiroz Duarte, on Tuesday, 19 October 2004, from 3 to 4 p.m. in Conference Room B.

Briefing for the Asian Group

There will be a briefing for the Asian Group, by the President-designate of the 2005 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons, H.E. Mr. Sergio de Queiroz Duarte, on Wednesday, 20 October 2004 from 4 to 6 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Informal consultations on the First Committee draft resolution entitled "Verification in all its aspects including the role of the United Nations in the field of verification" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Canada)

There will be informal consultations on the First Committee draft resolution entitled "Verification in all its aspects including the role of the United Nations in the field of verification", organized by the Permanent Mission of Canada, on Tuesday, 19 October 2004, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled "Prevention of the illicit transfer and unauthorized access to and use of Man-Portable Air Defence Systems (MANPADS)" (organized by the Permanent Missions of Argentina, Australia, Kenya, Thailand and Turkey)

Informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled "Prevention of the illicit transfer and unauthorized access to and use of Man-Portable Air Defence Systems (MANPADS)", organized by the Permanent Missions of Argentina, Australia, Kenya, Thailand and Turkey, on Tuesday, 19 October 2004, from 4.10 to 5.30 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Eastern European Group ***(Fifth Committee matters)***

There will be a meeting of the Eastern European Group ***(Fifth Committee matters)*** on Wednesday, 20 October 2004, from 9 to 10 a.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal consultations on a draft resolution on the report entitled "A Fair Globalization, Creating Opportunities for All" of the World Commission on the Social Dimension of Globalization (under agenda item 55) (organized by the Permanent Missions of Finland and the United Republic of Tanzania)

There will be informal consultations on a draft resolution on the report entitled "A Fair Globalization, Creating Opportunities for All" of the World Commission on the Social Dimension of Globalization (under agenda item 55), organized by the Permanent Missions of Finland and the United Republic of Tanzania, on Wednesday, 20 October 2004, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.; and on Friday, 22 October, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., in a conference room to be announced in the *Journal*. For further information, please contact Mr. Taisto Huimasalo, Permanent Mission of Finland (e-mail taisto.huimasalo@formin.fi).

Western European and Other States Group

There will be a meeting of the Western European and Other States Group on Wednesday, 20 October 2004, at 11 a.m. in Conference Room 9.

Briefing for all delegations of the Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS) (organized by the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change Secretariat (UNFCCC))

The Executive Secretary of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change Secretariat will hold a briefing for all delegations of the Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS) on the issues to be discussed at the tenth session of the Conference of the Parties to be held in Buenos Aires from 6 to 17 December 2004. The briefing, to be conducted in English, will be held on Wednesday, 20 October 2004, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Briefing for delegations and Secretariat on the Electronic Meetings Planning and Resource Allocation System (eMeets)

Further to the Note Verbale sent to all Permanent Missions on 2 August 2004 and the briefings held on 27 August and 1 October 2004, the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management will hold a briefing for delegations and the Secretariat, on the use of the Electronic Meetings Planning and Resource Allocation System (eMeets) for the electronic submission, processing and tracking of reservations for conference facilities, on Wednesday, 20 October 2004, at 1.15 p.m. in Conference Room 3. For further information, please contact the Meetings Control Section, Central Planning and Coordination Service, DGACM (tel. 1 (212) 963-6540).

Informal briefings by regional commissions

Economic Commission for Europe

There will be a briefing to Member States by the Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Europe, Ms. Brigita Schmognerova, on the latest developments in the region, as well as in the Commission, on Thursday, 21 October 2004, from 12 noon to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific

There will be a briefing to Member States by the Executive Secretary of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific, Mr. Kim Hak-Su, on the latest developments in the region, as well as in the Commission, on Thursday, 21 October 2004, from 5 to 6 p.m., in a conference room to be announced in the *Journal*.

United Nations Development Programme

The first meeting in the process of consultation with UNDP Member States on the *Human Development Report 2005* will be held on Wednesday, 27 October 2004, from 10.30 a.m. to 12 noon in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. Interested delegations are invited to attend.

Asian-African Legal Consultative Organization (AALCO)

There will be a meeting of the Asian-African Legal Consultative Organization (AALCO) on Friday, 29 October 2004, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 6.

UNITAR French-language workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing a French-language workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions for members of Permanent Missions in New York. The workshop will be held on Monday, 1 November 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m.; on Tuesday, 2 November, from 3 to 6 p.m.; and on Wednesday, 3 November, from 3 to 6 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including an information note and a nomination form, was addressed to all the Permanent Missions. The registration deadline is Thursday, 28 October 2004. For further information, please contact Ms. Maud Graham (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).

UNITAR workshops on information technology

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), the ICT Task Force and Intel Corporation jointly organize the 2004 Series entitled "Policy awareness and training in information technology" under the auspices of the Working Group on Informatics. The programme consists of a set of four progressive modules and one seminar presented as a cycle, which will be repeated four times throughout the year. The first four modules of each cycle focus on: (a) Introduction to computers and Windows 2000; (b) E-mail and Internet search basics; (c) Introduction to Microsoft Word 2000; and (d) Web-page design basics and usability techniques. The fifth module, conceived as an interactive seminar, covers policy and security issues in information technology.

Cycle IV of the 2004 Series, to be conducted in English, will be held until Friday, 19 November 2004. For further information, please contact the UNITAR Office (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-3021 or 963-9196).

Announcements

Special panel discussion on "Malaria and the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs)" (organized by the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, the Millennium Project and the World Health Organization (WHO))

There will be a panel discussion on "Malaria and the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs)", organized by the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, the Millennium Project and the World Health Organization (WHO), on Tuesday, 19 October 2004, from 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in *Conference Room 6*. The meeting will be chaired by H.E. Mr. Jean Ping, President of the General Assembly. The panellists will include Professor Jeffrey Sachs, Director of the Columbia University Earth Institute and Special Adviser of the Secretary-General on the Millennium Development Goals; Mr. Kul Gautam, Deputy Executive Director of UNICEF; Dr. Fatouma Nafo-Traore, Director of Malaria for the World Health Organization (WHO); Dr. Awash Teklehaimanot, Co-Coordinator of the Millennium Project Task Force Group on Malaria; and Dr. Chris Hentschel, CEO of the Medicines for Malaria Venture.

Members of Permanent Missions, agencies and organizations of the United Nations system, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information please contact Ms. Leslie Wade, Office for Economic and Social Council Support and Coordination (tel. 1 (212) 963-4420; or e-mail wade@un.org).

Security Council

Daily informal briefings

As from Monday, 4 October 2004, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations, which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530.

Preparations for the forty-ninth session of the Commission on the Status of Women

In preparation for the forty-ninth session of the Commission on the Status of Women (28 February–11 March 2005), delegations are kindly invited to propose names of expert panellists to participate in two panel discussions on the following themes: (a) Addressing the linkages between the implementation of the Beijing Platform for Action and the outcome document of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly and the internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the Millennium Declaration: progress, gaps and challenges; and (b) Future perspectives on the promotion of gender equality: through the eyes of young women and men. Delegations are kindly requested to submit names and curricula vitae to the Division for the Advancement of Women (e-mail taylors@un.org and/or proppe@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-3463; room DC2-1268 or room DC2-1262), no later than 5 November 2004, indicating the panel for which the expert(s) is (are) being nominated.

2004 Nairobi Summit on a Mine-Free World

Delegations are kindly informed that the list of speakers at the high-level segment on Thursday and Friday, 2 and 3 December 2004, at the First Review Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-personnel Mines and on Their Destruction is now open. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers are kindly requested to contact the Executive Secretariat at the Geneva Branch of the Department for Disarmament Affairs (tel. +41 (0) 22-917-5281 or 22-917-2281).

Delegations are kindly asked to indicate the level of the representative as well as the preferred time-block for delivering their statement (i.e. 2 December, morning session, 2 December, afternoon session, or 3 December, morning session). Delegations are reminded that the allotted time for statements is 6 minutes.

Electronic notice boards for meetings

Electronic notice boards for meetings were recently installed in the General Assembly Lobby and at the garden level adjacent to the Cafe Austria to display updated information on scheduled meetings taking place at Headquarters. The Department for General Assembly and Conference Management would welcome feedback comments on the screens, which can be sent by logging on to http://emeets.un.org and using the feedback form, so that further adjustments can be made as necessary. The Department would also welcome comments sent to the same e-mail address on the terminology used, the quality of language services and improvement of other services provided to Member States.

International Meeting to Review the Implementation of the Barbados Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States

The High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States, in his capacity as the Secretary-General of the Mauritius International Meeting, announces that as per General Assembly resolution 58/213B (A/RES/58/213B), the International Meeting to Review the Implementation of the Barbados Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States (Barbados+10) will take place from 10 to 14 January 2005 in Mauritius. The high-level segment will be held on 13 and 14 January 2005. If necessary, it was also decided that two days of informal consultations be held in Mauritius, on 8 and 9 January 2005, to facilitate preparations for the Meeting.

Summary of meetings

Thursday, 14 October 2004

General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

30th plenary meeting

Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields* [45]: *commemoration of the tenth anniversary of the International Conference on Population and Development

The General Assembly, without setting a precedent, decided to invite the Executive Director of the United Nations Populations Fund to make an introductory statement.

The President of the General Assembly made a statement.

The Deputy Secretary-General made a statement.

In accordance with the decision taken by the General Assembly earlier, the Executive Director of the United Nations Population Fund made a statement.

The General Assembly also decided to close the list of speakers.

The General Assembly heard statements made by the representative of Qatar (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China); Mr. Hans Van Den Broek of the Netherlands, Special Envoy of the Presidency of the European Union (on behalf of the European Union and Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Romania, Serbia and Montenegro and Turkey); the representative of Barbados (on behalf of the Caribbean Community); H.E. Ms. Mona Sahlin, Minister for Democracy, Integration and Gender Equality Issues of Sweden; H.E. The Honourable Nimal Siripala de Silva, Minister of Health, Nutrition and Uva Wellassa Development of Sri Lanka; H.E. Mrs. María José Argaña, Minister for Women Issues of Paraguay; H.E. The Honourable Dr. Alex Kamugisha, Minister of State for Health of Uganda; H.E. Mrs. Nicole Ameline, Minister for Parity and Equality in the Workplace of France; H.E. Mr. Chaudhry Shahbaz Hussain, Federal Minister for Population Welfare of Pakistan; H.E. Mrs. Adeline Magloire Chancy, Minister for Women of Haiti; H.E. Mr. Mamadou Sidibe, Minister of Planning and Sustainable Development of the Senegal; H.E. Mr. Beksultan Tutkushev, Member of the Parliament of Kazakhstan; H.E. Mr. Alfredo Chuquibuara, Special Envoy and Chairman of the Commission on Population and Development of Peru; H.E. Mr. Wang Guoqiang, Deputy Minister of the National Population and Family Planning Council of China; H.E. Ms. Jean Benjamin, Deputy Minister for Social Development of South Africa; and H.E. Dr. Safaa El-Baz, Deputy Minister of Health and Population of Egypt.

31st plenary meeting

Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields [45]: *commemoration of the tenth anniversary of the International Conference on Population and Development*

The General Assembly continued, under agenda item 45, the one-day commemoration of the tenth anniversary of the International Conference on Population and Development.

The General Assembly heard statements by H.E. Dr. Sumarjati Arjoso, Chairperson of National Family Planning Coordination Board of Indonesia; H.E. The Honourable Frank Mwenifumbo, Deputy Minister of Health of Malawi; and H.E. Dr. Mam Bunheng, Secretary of State for Health of Cambodia; and by the representatives of India, Canada, Guatemala, Switzerland, the United States, Kenya, Japan, the Russian Federation, Norway, Bangladesh, Maldives, New Zealand, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the Philippines, the Syrian Arab Republic, Venezuela, Malaysia, Tunisia, Togo, Colombia, Azerbaijan, the United Kingdom, El Salvador, Jamaica, Mongolia, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Ghana, Uruguay, Botswana, Ecuador, Argentina, Denmark, Guyana, Mexico, Armenia, the United Arab Emirates, Honduras, Thailand, Viet Nam, Nepal, Nicaragua, Ethiopia and Georgia.

The General Assembly decided to include Panama, at its request, in the list of speakers.

The representative of Panama made a statement.

The observer for the Holy See made a statement.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 57/29 of 19 November 2002, the observer for Partners in Population and Development made a statement.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 47/4 of 16 October 1992, the observer for the International Organization for Migration made a statement.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 45.

Friday, 15 October 2004

General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

32nd plenary meeting

Organization of work, adoption of the agenda and allocation of items: third report of the General Committee (A/59/250/Add.2) . . . . . [8]

The General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of the fifty-ninth session an additional item entitled "Observer status for the Organization of Eastern Caribbean States in the General Assembly" under Heading I (Organizational, administrative and other matters), and to allocate it to the Sixth Committee.

The General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, also decided to consider agenda item 21 and agenda item 24 separately.

The General Assembly was informed that the General Committee had taken note of the information that agenda item 21 and agenda item 24 would be rescheduled separately at a later date to be announced.

Election to fill vacancies in principal organs: election of five non-permanent members of the Security Council . . . . . [15 (a)]

On the first round of balloting, having obtained the required two-thirds majority, Argentina, Denmark, Greece, Japan and the United Republic of Tanzania were elected as non-permanent members of the Security Council for a two-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2005.

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of sub-item (a) of agenda item 15.

Main Committees

Second Committee

13th meeting

Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) and of the twenty-fifth special session of the General Assembly . . . . . [86]

The Committee continued its consideration of the agenda item.

In accordance with the provisions of General Assembly resolution 58/316, the Committee held a dialogue with the Executive Director of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme, during which questions were posed and comments were made by the Chairman of the Committee and by the representatives of the Netherlands (on behalf of the European Union), South Africa, Burkina Faso, Egypt and Canada.

General discussion

The Committee heard statements by the representatives of Qatar (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), China, the Russian Federation, Nigeria, Kenya, Bangladesh, Nepal, the United States, Sri Lanka and Dominica (on behalf of the Caribbean Community).

The observer of the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies made a statement.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

Third Committee

14th meeting

Follow-up to the International Year of Older Persons: Second World Assembly on Ageing . . . . . [95]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.14

The representative of Qatar introduced and orally revised the draft resolution, on behalf of the Group of 77 and China, as well as Azerbaijan, Belarus, Mexico, the Republic of Korea and the Russian Federation.

Crime prevention and criminal justice . . . . . [96]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.21

The representative of Ethiopia introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the Group of African States.

Advancement of women . . . . . [98]

Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women and of the special session of the General Assembly entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century" . . . . . [99]

The Committee continued its general discussion of the items and heard statements by the representatives of Venezuela, Djibouti, Malaysia (on behalf of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations), Uganda, Myanmar, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Zambia, Tunisia, Burkina Faso, Azerbaijan, Thailand, Ethiopia, Peru, Mali and Botswana.

Statements were also made by the observers of the International Organization for Migration and the Organization of the Islamic Conference.

15th meeting

Advancement of women . . . . . [98]

Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women and of the special session of the General Assembly entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century" . . . . . [99]

The Committee continued its general discussion of the items and heard statements by the representatives of Guatemala, Guinea, Kuwait, Morocco, the Syrian Arab Republic, the Philippines, Jamaica, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Armenia, Nepal, Egypt and Uruguay.

Statements were also made by the observers of the Inter-Parliamentary Union and the International Committee of the Red Cross.

The Director of the Division for the Advancement of Women made concluding remarks.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of agenda items 98 and 99.

Right of reply

The representative of Israel made a statement in the exercise of the right of reply.

Invitation to the Special Rapporteur on Disability of the Commission for Social Development

The Committee was informed that the Special Rapporteur would not be able to accept the invitation extended to her to address the Committee due to a prior professional commitment.

Fifth Committee

9th meeting *Programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005* . . . . . [108]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item and had before it draft resolution A/C.5/59/L.3 which had been coordinated by the representative of Austria on behalf of the Chairman.

The Director of the Programme Planning and Budget Division provided the Committee with the Secretariat's understanding of operative paragraph 3 of the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted, without a vote, the draft resolution.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of this question.

Review of the implementation of General Assembly resolutions 48/218 B and 54/244 [119]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this item and heard statements by the representatives of Qatar (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Canada (on behalf of Australia, New Zealand and Canada) and the Syrian Arab Republic.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of this agenda item at this stage.

Financing of the United Nations Mission in Sierra Leone . . . . . [136]

The Committee began its consideration of this agenda item.

The Director of the Peacekeeping Financing Division introduced the report of the Secretary-General (A/59/286).

The Vice-Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related report of that Committee (A/59/417).

Statements were made by the representatives of Gabon (on behalf of the African Group), Pakistan and the Netherlands (on behalf of the European Union; candidate countries Bulgaria, Croatia, Romania and Turkey; the countries of the Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidates Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Serbia and Montenegro; and the EFTA countries Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway, members of the European Economic Area, which aligned themselves with the statement).

The Chief of the Finance Management and Support Service of the Department of Peacekeeping Operations replied to questions raised.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of this agenda item at this stage.

The Chairman informed the Committee that informal consultations on this item would begin on that day, Friday, 15 October, in the afternoon, under the chairmanship of Ms. Karla Samayoa-Recari (Guatemala), Vice-Chairman of the Committee.

Financing of the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire . . . . . [154]

The Committee began its consideration of this agenda item.

The Director of the Peacekeeping Financing Division introduced the report of the Secretary-General (A/59/289).

The Vice-Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related report of that Committee (A/59/419 and A/59/419/Corr.1).

Statements were made by the representatives of Nigeria (on behalf of the African Group), the Netherlands (on behalf of the European Union; candidate countries Bulgaria, Croatia, Romania and Turkey; the countries of the Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidates Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Serbia and Montenegro; and the EFTA countries Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway, members of the European Economic Area, which aligned themselves with the statement) and Ghana.

The Chief of the Finance Management and Support Service of the Department of Peacekeeping Operations replied to questions raised.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of this agenda item at this stage.

The Chairman informed the Committee that informal consultations on this item would begin on that day, Friday, 15 October, following the adjournment of the formal meeting, under the chairmanship of Ms. Karla Samayoa-Recari (Guatemala), Vice-Chairman of the Committee.

Other matters

The Chairman made a statement regarding the status of preparedness of documentation.

Organization of work

A statement was made by the representative of Egypt.

The Chairman also made a statement.

Summary of meetings held away from Headquarters

Thursday, 14 October 2004

United Nations Conference on Trade and Development

Trade and Development Board
Fifty-first session
United Nations Office at Geneva

961st plenary meeting

Report of the Joint Advisory Group on the International Trade Centre UNCTAD/WTO on its thirty-seventh session . . . . . [10 (b)]

The Chairman, H.E. Mr. Henrik Rée Iversen (Denmark), introduced the report of the Joint Advisory Group on its thirty-seventh session (ITD/AG(XXXVII)/200).

The Board took note of the report and thus concluded its consideration on this item.

UNCTAD's contribution, within its mandate, to the implementation of, and to the review of progress made in the implementation of, the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits, under its relevant agenda items . . . . . [7 (a)]

Mr. Carlos Fortin, Deputy Secretary-General, Officer-in Charge of UNCTAD, made an introductory statement presenting the document by the secretariat.

Statements were made by the representatives of Brazil (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Pakistan (on behalf of the Asian Group and China), Argentina (on behalf of the Latin American and Caribbean Group), Nigeria (on behalf of the African Group), the Netherlands (on behalf of the European Union), Japan, Benin (on behalf of the Group of the Least Developed Countries), Cuba and Switzerland.

The Board took note of the report by the secretariat in document TD/B/51/5 and thus concluded its consideration on this item.

Report by the President of the Trade and Development Board on his participation in the high-level meeting of the Economic and Social Council with the Bretton Woods institutions and the World Trade Organization . . . . . [7 (b)]

H.E. Mr. Sha Zukang (China), President of the fiftieth session of the Board, reported to the Board on his participation in the high-level meeting of the Economic and Social Council.

The Board took note of his oral report and thus concluded its consideration of this item.

Report by the President of the Advisory Body set up in accordance with paragraph 166 of the Bangkok Plan of Action on the implementation of courses by the secretariat in 2003-2004 and their impact; and the appointment of the members of the Advisory Body for 2004-2005 . . . . . [11 (a)]

H.E. Mr. Sha Zukang (China), President of the Advisory Body, gave a detailed report on the work of the Advisory Body set up in accordance with paragraph 166 of the Bangkok Plan of Action.

The Board took note of the report.

The Board approved the membership of the Advisory Body for 2005 as follows: H.E. Mrs. Mary Whelan (Ireland) (President of the Board); Mr. Iouri Afanassiev (Russian Federation); H.E. Mr. Sergei Aleinik (Belarus); H.E. Mme Naela Gabr (Egypt); H.E. Mr. Joseph U. Ayalogu (Nigeria); H.E. Mr. Charles K. Mutalemwa (United Republic of Tanzania); H.E. Mrs. Clemencia Forero Ucros (Colombia); H.E. Mr. Guillermo Valles Galmes (Uruguay); Mrs. Lilia Carrera (Panama); H.E. Mr. Ahmed M. Masoud AL-Riyami (Oman); H.E. Mr. Shaukat Umer (Pakistan); H.E. Mr. Sha Zukang (China); Ms. Barbara Rietbroek (Netherlands); Mr. Frederik Arthur (Norway); and Mr. Emmanuel Farcot (France).

Review of technical cooperation activities of UNCTAD . . . . . [8 (a)]

Mrs. Preeti Saran (India), Vice-Chairman-cum-Rapporteur of the forty-third session of the Working Party, made an introductory statement on this item.

The Board adopted the draft decision contained in document TD/B/51/L.2 on the review of technical cooperation activities of UNCTAD.

Statements were made by the representatives of the following countries: Brazil (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Russian Federation, Peru (on behalf of the Latin American and Caribbean Group), Netherlands (on behalf of the European Union), Colombia, Belarus, Venezuela, Bhutan, China, Switzerland and Cuba.

The Board thus concluded its consideration of this agenda item.

Report on UNCTAD XI multi-stakeholder partnerships . . . . . [9 (a)]

Mr. Carlos Fortin, Deputy Secretary-General, Officer-in-Charge of UNCTAD, presented the UNCTAD multi-stakeholder partnerships and the progress made since UNCTAD XI.

Statements were made by the representatives of Brazil (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Peru (on behalf of the Andean Community (Bolivia, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru and Venezuela), the Netherlands (on behalf of the European Union) and Nigeria (on behalf of the African Group).

The Board took note of the report by the secretariat, as contained in document TD/B/51/CRP.3, and thus concluded its consideration of this item.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

OLA/UNITAR Seminar on the Deposit of Treaty Actions with the Secretary-General and the Registration of Treaties

United Nations Headquarters, 9 and 10 November 2004

The above seminar, sponsored by the Office of Legal Affairs of the Secretariat (OLA) and the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), will take place on 9 and 10 November 2004 at United Nations Headquarters in New York.

The objective of the two-day seminar is to provide an overview of the deposit of treaty actions with the Secretary-General and the registration of treaties. The seminar is designed essentially to meet the needs of members of the permanent missions and representatives from capitals, and other personnel, in particular, legal counsellors and advisors, dealing with matters of treaty law, or specifically involved with the preparation of treaty actions with regard to multilateral treaties and with the registration of treaties pursuant to Article 102 of the United Nations Charter. Assistance and guidance will also be provided on the domestic aspects of participation in multilateral treaties.

The seminar is based on the Treaty Handbook, which was developed and published by the Treaty Section of OLA. The Treaty Handbook is a practical guide to the depositary practice of the Secretary-General and the registration requirements of the Secretariat. It is designated to serve as a tool for Member States, secretariats of international organizations and legal practitioners.

For more information about the seminar, please contact the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs (tel. 1 (212) 963-5047; fax 1 (212) 963-3693; e-mail treaty@un.org). Information Notes and Nomination Forms will be transmitted to the Permanent Missions accredited to the United Nations in New York by UNITAR shortly.

Other announcements

World Food Day 2004

There will be a special ceremony on the occasion of 2004 World Food Day on the theme "Bio-diversity for food security", organized by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), on *Monday, 18 October 2004*, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 4. The FAO/CGIAR exhibit on food security and bio-diversity will also be inaugurated on the same day, in the public lobby of the Secretariat building. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the FAO Liaison Office to the United Nations (tel. 1 (212) 963-6036).

Annual Parliamentary Hearing (organized by the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU))

The annual Parliamentary Hearing on the theme "From disarmament to lasting peace: Defining the parliamentary role", organized by the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU), will take place in the Economic and Social Council Chamber, on Tuesday, 19 October 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m., and on Wednesday, 20 October, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the IPU office (tel. 1 (212) 557-5880) or visit the IPU Web site at www.ipu.org/splz-e/unga04.htm).

International Forum for Development

There will be a meeting of the International Forum for Development on "Welfare-enhancing policies for growth, employment and trade", on Tuesday, 19 October 2004, from 1.45 to 5.45 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information please contact the Financing for Development Office, DESA (tel. 1 (212) 963-3664).

Women's International Forum

There will be a meeting of the Women's International Forum on "The role of the United Nations in fighting international terrorism", on Wednesday, 20 October 2004, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. Members of Permanent Missions and Secretariat staff are invited to attend.

Lecture on "Indigenous peoples: Diversity and development" (co-organized by the Human Development Report Office, UNDP, and the Secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, DSPD, DESA)

There will be a lecture by the Special Rapporteur on the human rights and fundamental freedoms of indigenous people of the Commission on Human Rights, Dr. Rodolfo Stavenhagen, on "Indigenous peoples: Diversity and development", co-organized by the Human Development Report Office, UNDP, and the Secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, Division for Social Policy and Development, DESA, on Thursday, 21 October 2004, from 1 to 2.30 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff, the representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For more information, please contact the secretariat of Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (tel. 1 (917) 367-5102) or visit the following Web site: www.un.org/esa/socdev/unpfii).

General information

Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of October 2004 has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Ethiopia
H.E. Mr. Teruneh Zenna

Asian States:
Japan
H.E. Mr. Koichi Haraguchi

Eastern European States:
Azerbaijan
H.E. Mr. Yashar Aliyev

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Mexico
H.E. Mr. Enrique Berruga

Western European and other States:
Monaco
H.E. Mr. Gilles Noghes

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